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**Two COVID-19-Related Fatalities Reported; Results: 36 Test Positive for COVID-19;
One GDOE Employee Tests Positive for COVID-19**

Two COVID-19-Related Fatalities Reported

The Joint Information Center was notified that Guam's 102nd COVID-19-related fatality occurred at the Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH) at approximately 11 a.m. on November 20, 2020. The patient was a 37-year-old male with underlying conditions that were further compounded by COVID-19. He was admitted to GMH on November 6, 2020 and was a known positive case.

Guam's 103rd COVID-19-related fatality occurred at GMH at approximately 5:05 p.m. on November 20, 2020. The patient was a 51-year-old male with underlying conditions that were further compounded by COVID-19. He was admitted to GMH on October 25, 2020 and tested positive upon admission.

"To their family and friends, Jeff, Lt. Governor Josh, and I send our deepest condolences. May your memories bring you strength during this difficult time," said Governor Lou Leon Guerrero. "Throughout this pandemic, I have heard people compare COVID-19 to the seasonal flu; however, I strongly caution anyone making this comparison. COVID-19 is cold, ruthless, and numbing. It isolates people from those they love and prevents us from comforting each other when it is most needed. We cannot let our resolve falter, and I ask everyone to do what is necessary to save lives."

Special Note: The Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) has shifted from daily situation reports to weekly reports in order to provide for more comprehensive data analysis. To reflect this, the Joint Information Center (JIC) will report profiles of confirmed cases on a *weekly* basis only. COVID-19 test results and other key data will continue to be reported on a *daily* basis. For information on COVID-19 cases, visit <http://dphss.guam.gov/covid-19/>.

COVID-19 Results

To date, there have been a total of **6,452** officially reported cases of COVID-19 with **103** deaths, **1,919** cases in active isolation and **4,430** not in active isolation.

Of the **36** newly confirmed cases, **Four (4)** cases were identified through contact tracing. **Five (5)** cases reported recent travel and were identified in quarantine.

As of November 20, 2020, the COVID Area Risk (CAR) Score is **15.7**. The CAR Score accounts for the incidence of new cases, how well current testing identifies these cases, and the rate of spread. An ideal CAR Score for Guam would be 5.0 and below. To learn more about the CAR Score, visit [Strive for Five](#).

The following tables provide COVID-19 test results reported to the JIC on Friday, November 20, 2020 and reflects results from Thursday, November 19, 2020:

COVID-19 CASE COUNT	TOTAL	TODAY	PAST 7 DAYS
COVID-19 CASES:	6,452	36	528
CONFIRMED CASES:	6,331	36	518
PROBABLE CASES:	121	0	10

COVID-19 TESTING ON GUAM	TOTAL	NEW DIAGNOSTIC TESTS REPORTED TODAY	PERCENT POSITIVE
COVID-19 TESTS	81,034	467	8.0%
MOLECULAR TESTS	79,667	400	8.0%
ANTIGEN TEST	1,151	67	10.3%

CASE BREAKDOWN			
STATUS	TOTAL	CURRENT ISOLATION LOCATION	TOTAL
COVID-19 Death	103	Hospital	56
Active Isolation	1,919	Home	1,767
Not In Isolation	4,430	Isolation Facility	67
Civilian	6,135	Military	30
Military Service Member	317		

COVID HOSPITAL CENSUS	Guam Memorial Hospital	Guam Regional Medical City	U.S. Naval Hospital	TOTAL
COVID ADMISSION	51	2	3	56
IN ICU	11	1	1	13
ON VENTILATOR	5	0	1	6

One GDOE Employee Tests Positive for COVID-19

On Friday, November 20, 2020, the Guam Department of Education (GDOE) confirmed that one GDOE employee from Liguán Elementary School tested positive for COVID-19. This case was identified through contact tracing efforts. The GDOE is working closely with DPHSS to conduct contact tracing and any close contacts of the confirmed case will be contacted directly. Areas of the campus will be cleaned and disinfected as needed. Hard copy packet and food distribution will not be interrupted.

GBHWC Crisis Hotline

The Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) has a Crisis Hotline that is available 24/7 at (671) 647-8833/4. For those feeling anxious, stressed, overwhelmed or are

needing to talk to someone, GBHWC has experienced providers available and ready to assist the community with any heightened stress and anxiety experienced as a result of COVID-19.

For the latest information on COVID-19, visit dphss.guam.gov or guamrecovery.com. For inquiries on COVID-19, contact 311 through a local number, or call the Joint Information Center at (671) 478-0208/09/10.

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